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## MORTGAGE DEED

STATE OF ALABAMA )
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JEFFERSON COUNTY )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, Benjamin W. Nicholas, Sr., and wife Loretta N. Nicholas, (hereinafter called "Mortgagors", whether one or more) are justly indebted, to Lillian Griffin (hereinafter called "Mortgagee", whether one or more), in the sum of Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Dollars Dollars (\$8,840.00), evidenced by a real estate mortgage note.

And Whereas, Mortgagors agreed, in incurring said indebtedness, that this mortgage should be given to secure the prompt payment thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, said Mortgagors, Benjamin W. Nicholas, Sr., and wife Loretta N. Nicholas, and all others executing this mortgage, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the Mortgagee the following described real estate, situated in Shelby County, State of Alabama, to-wit:

A parcel of land containing 3.17 acres, more or less, located in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 4 and the NW 1/4 of Section 9, all in Township 21 South, Range 3 West, Shelby County, Alabama, described as follows:

Begin at the SE corner of Lot 53 of Woodland Hills First Phase, Fourth Sector, as recorded in Map Book 6, Page 24, in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Shelby County, Alabama; Thence run Northwesterly along the South Line of said Lot 53 extended a distance of 328.10 feet to the Easterly right-of-way of County Highway #17; Thence turn left 97° 51' 44" along said right-of-way a distance of 442.67 feet; Thence turn left 101° 59' 32" a distance of 411.50 feet; Thence turn left 91° 56' 44" a

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distance of 321.77 feet to the point of beginning.

Said property is warranted free from all incumbrances and against any adverse claims, except as stated above.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted property unto the said Mortgagee, Mortgagee's successors, heirs, and assigns forever; and for the purpose of further securing the payment of said indebtedness, the undersigned agrees to pay all taxes or assessments when imposed legally upon said premises, and should default be made in the payment of same, the said Mortgagee may at Mortgagee's option pay off the same; and to further secure said indebtedness, first above named undersigned agrees to keep the improvements on said real estate insured against loss or damage by fire, lightning and tornado for the fair and reasonable insurable value thereof, in companies satisfactory to the Mortgagee, with loss, if any, payable to said Mortgagee, as Mortgagee's interest may appear, and to promptly deliver said policies, or any renewal of said policies to said Mortgagee; and if undersigned fail to keep said property insured as above specified, or fail to deliver said insurance policies to said Mortgagee, then the said Mortgagee, or assigns, may at Mortgagee's option insure said property for said sum, for Mortgagee's own benefit, the policy if collected, to be credited on said indebtedness, less cost of collecting same; all amounts so expended by said Mortgatgee for taxes, assessments or insurance, shall become a debt to said Mortgagee or assigns, additional to the debt hereby specially secured, and shall be covered by this Mortgage, and bear interest from date of payment by said Mortgagee, or assigns, and be at once due and payable.

Upon condition, however, that if the said Mortgagor pays said indebtedness, and reimburses said Mortgagee or assigns for any amounts Mortgagees may have expended for taxes, assessments, and insurance, and interest thereon, then this conveyance to be null and void; but should default be made in the payment of any sum expended by the said Mortgagee or assigns, or should said indebtedness hereby secured, or any part thereof, or the interest thereon, remain unpaid at maturity, or should the interest of said Mortgagee or assigns in said property become endangered by reason of the enforcement of any prior lien or incumbrance thereon, so as to endanger the debt hereby secured, then in any one of said events, the whole of said indebtedness hereby secured shall at once become due and payable, and this mortgage be subject to foreclosure as now provided by law in case of past due mortgages, and the said Mortgagee, agents or assigns, shall be authorized to take possession of the premises hereby conveyed, and with or without

first taking possession, after giving twenty-one days' notice, by publishing once a week for three consecutive weeks, the time, place and terms of sale, by publication in some newspaper published in said County and State, sell the same in lots or parcels or en masse as Mortgagee, agents or assigns deem best, in front of the Court House door of said County, (or the division thereof) where said property is located, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, and apply the proceeds of the sale: First, to the expense of advertising, selling and conveying, including a reasonable attorney's fee; Second, to the payment of any amounts that may have been expended, or that it may then be necessary to expend, in paying insurance, taxes, or other incumbrances, with interest thereon; Third, to the payment of said indebtedness in full, whether the same shall or shall not have fully matured at the date of said sale, but no interest shall be collected beyond the day of sale; and Fourth, the balance, if any, to be turned over to the said Mortgagor and undersigned further agree that said Mortgagee, agents or assigns may bid at said sale and purchase said property, if the highest bidder therefor; and undersigned further agree to pay a reasonable attorney's fee to said Mortgagee or assigns, for the foreclosure of this mortgage in Chancery, should the same be so foreclosed, said fee to be a part of the debt hereby secured.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned Benjamin W. Nicholas, Sr., and wife Loretta N. Nicholas have hereunto set their signatures this 30th day of March , 1984

Benjamin W. Nicholas, Sr. (SEAL)
Loretta N. Nicholas

STATE OF ALABAMA )

Jefferson COUNTY )

I, Mathews, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Benjamin W. Nicholas, Sr., and wife Loretta N. Nicholas, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance they executed the same

voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

March, 1984

Milie B. Matthews

My Commission Expires:

9/07/87.

STATE OF ALA. SHELBY CO.

I CERTIFY THIS
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